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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
FOR WEEK ENDING 22-Jul-06 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 07/22/06	PREVIOUS WEEK 07/15/06
Broiler/fryer	163,850	164,388
Light hens	1,081	1,111
Heavy hens	1,501	1,566

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA**

	WEEK ENDING 15-Jul-06 (THOUSAND HEAD)		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	57	4	61
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	61	0	61
Same week yr ago	191	0	191
To-date/2006	5,224	23	5,247
To-date/2005	7,616	33	7,649

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Total U. S. fowl slaughter in the U. S. and Canada

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,237	1,558	2,795
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	892	1,087	1,979
Same week yr ago	1,622	1,543	3,165
To-date/2006	37,028	41,065	78,093
To-date/2005	50,753	38,745	89,498

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
WEEK ENDING 15-Jul-06 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	160,498	1,180	1,554	2,734
Avg Wt	5.34	3.32	7.79	5.86
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	139,425	831	1,087	1,918
Same wk yr ago	168,451	1,431	1,543	2,974
Avg Wt	5.27	3.40	7.97	5.77
To-date/2006	4,501,935	31,804	41,042	72,846
To-date/2005	4,471,610	43,137	38,712	81,849

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 163.7 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 162.4 million head, or 1.3 million less than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 08-Jul-06

	(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE 4.20 LBS & DOWN	(B) RETAIL 4.21-5.25 LBS	(C) DEBONING 5.26 LBS & UP
	-----THOUSANDS-----		
Head	28,194	19,580	44,247
Avg Weight	3.79	4.78	6.63
% of total /1	31%	21%	48%
Last week	28,029	19,566	47,786
Avg Weight	3.74	4.75	6.32
% of total /1	29%	21%	50%
Same week, yr ago /2	25,238	22,324	39,697
Avg Weight	3.71	4.75	6.34
% of total /1	29%	26%	45%
To date/2006	728,435	525,874	1,440,550
To date/2005	743,067	594,706	1,316,413

/1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING

/2 COMPARABLE WEEK

- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 15-Jul-06  
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	TOTAL
Head	1,931	2,903	16	1	4,851
Avg Wt	16.45	36.96	27.51	57.57	28.77
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,677	2,183	22	0	3,882
Same wk yr ago	1,959	2,630	22	14	4,625
Avg Wt	16.01	36.65	25.22	34.22	27.85
To-date/2006	53,458	70,204	609	142	125,413
To-date/2005	47,114	71,203	652	89	119,058

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.  
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